



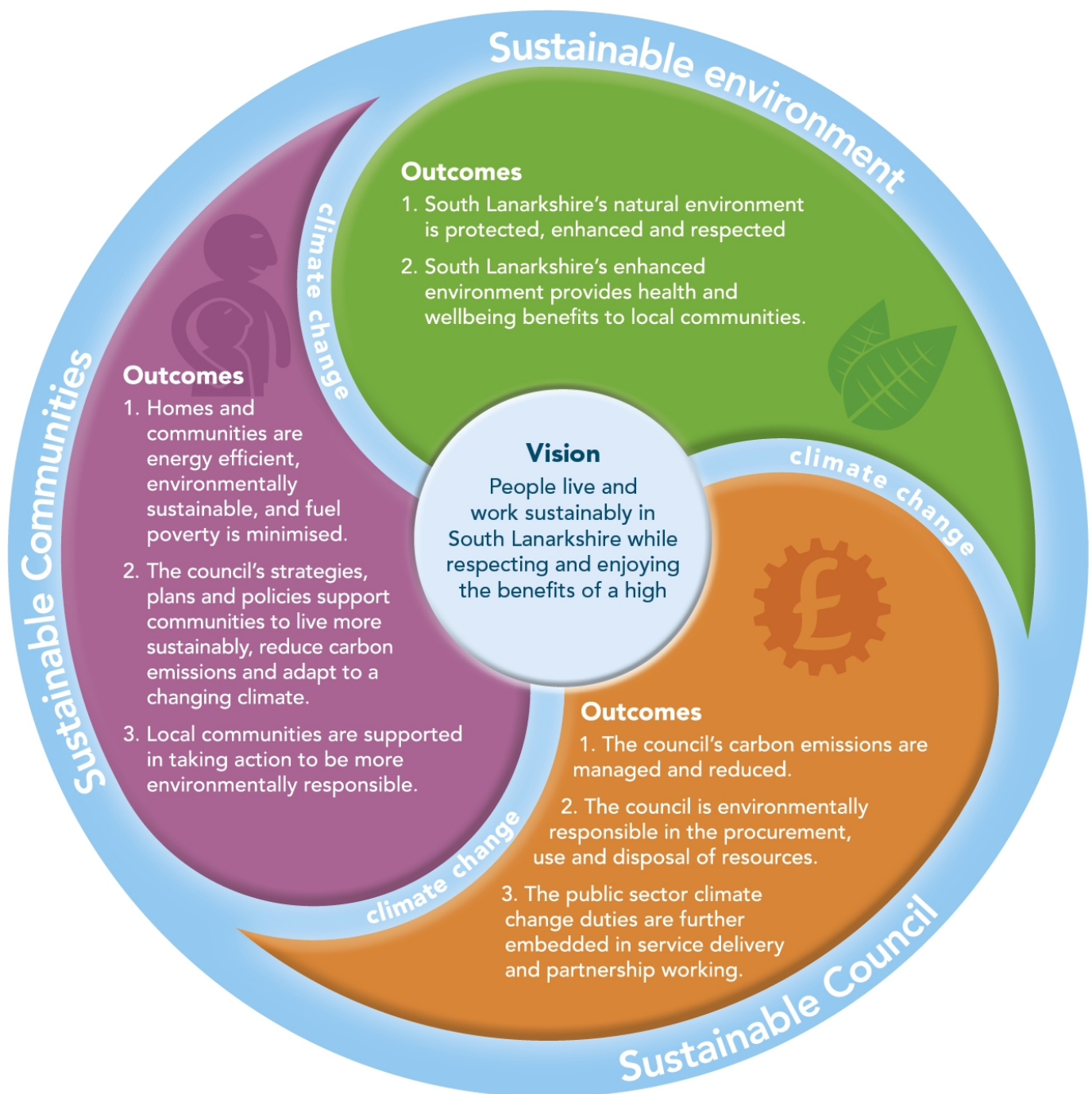
The cover features a vibrant, abstract design with overlapping circular and wavy shapes in shades of blue, green, and purple. At the top, a curved band contains several circular icons: a circular arrow, a bus, a digital display showing '00', a landscape with trees, a sun behind a cloud, a person's head, and a shopping cart. The main title is centered in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below the title, there are three large, overlapping circles: a purple one with a white silhouette of a person, a green one with a white leaf, and an orange one with white interlocking gears. At the bottom right, there are stylized wavy lines in blue and green, resembling water or a landscape.

Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-2022

Performance Report Quarter 2 : 2021/22 - April to September






























Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-2022: Vision, Themes and Strategic



Sustainable Development Goals

The United Nations has set a series of [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs). These are 'global goals' and targets that are part of an internationally agreed performance framework. All countries are aiming to achieve these goals by 2030. They address the global challenges, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice.

Scotland has adopted the SDGs and the public sector has a role in contributing to the goals. Each of the Strategy's themes contributes to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals at a local level. The summary below outlines which SDGs each strategy theme contributes to:

Theme	Goal	Sustainable Development Goals
Sustainable Council	South Lanarkshire Council is a leading example in environmental performance across South Lanarkshire and that sustainable development principles and tackling climate change, in response to the climate emergency, underpins all council activities, decisions and actions	      
Sustainable Environment	South Lanarkshire's high-quality natural environment and public spaces provides essential services and shared benefits for people and wildlife	     
Sustainable Communities	South Lanarkshire Council's activities, decisions and actions enable communities, businesses and individuals to live, work and enjoy South Lanarkshire in a more sustainable and environmentally friendly way, help build resilience to the impacts of climate change and a just transition to a net-zero society	             

How to use this performance report

This performance report is intended to be both informative and easy to use. The guide below is designed to help you get the most out of the report and to answer the most common questions you might have.

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Measure Status – are we on course to achieve? The "traffic light" codes are:

Green	On target or due to achieve with no issues
Amber	There may be problems or minor slippage
Red	Not on course, major slippage anticipated
Blue	Action to achieve change complete

Measures which are to be reported later or which are "for information only" are not colour coded

Overarching Theme

Priority Outcome

Progress update against outcome

Sustainable Environment

South Lanarkshire's natural environment is protected, enhanced and respected

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	This Year Target	To Date	Last 3 Years
Percentage of streets found to be acceptable during survey (Local Environmental Audit and Management System street cleanliness score)	The LEAMS score for April to July 2020 was 97.1%, this is above the annual target score of 95.5%	Green	95.5%	97.1%	95.5% 94.5% 95.9%
The biennial State of the Environment report for South Lanarkshire provides a baseline for identifying local environmental issues and provides an overview	The 2019 edition of the South Lanarkshire State of the Environment Report was approved by the Executive Committee in February 2020. Key findings from the Report show that of the 55 indicators, 24 (43.6%) have a good status, 23 (41.8%) have a fair status and the remaining 8 (14.6%) have a poor status. Work is progressing well to update The State of the Environment Report on the digital learning platform, glow, for use within schools. Work on the 2021 edition will begin in early 2021 and will be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval around March 2022.	Confidential	—	—	0 0 0

Sustainable Communities

That council's strategies, plans and policies support communities to live more sustainably, reduce carbon emissions and adapt to a changing climate

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Review and update guidance for building standards surveyors in relation to climate change mitigation in new buildings and the adaptation of existing buildings	Complete review and develop service specific actions by March 2021. Awareness sessions to be developed for planning officers and developers/agents to ensure roll out in 2021-22	National consultation on revised energy standards for new buildings expected before the end of 2020, this will form the basis of service specific actions.	Green
Provide advice and support to businesses in the transition to a net-zero economy	Develop an Economic Response, Recover and Renewal Strategy framed around three themes: People, Place and Business whilst creating the right conditions for a low carbon economy	Recovery strategy is being developed with phased implementation-additional resources approved at CER Committee on 15 September. Business Support Grants' budgets increased and eligibility and assessment criteria have been reviewed with three forms of support-Small, Recovery and Growth grants open to applications from 23 September 2020. Preparing to recruit additional business support officers. Preparing marketing/development brief and proposed market testing of Langlands, East Kibride, Strategic Investment site	Green
	Support provided to Smart Sustainable East Kibride (SSEK) in the delivery of their action plan priorities for 2020-21	Some realignment of objectives and resources has taken place with SSEK engagement events able to switch to online virtual delivery via Zoom meetings and resource switched from some physical delivery to Transport Scotland sponsored Near Homes Working innovation project.	Green



Summary (Section 1) - number of Quantitative Measures green, amber and red under each Sustainable Development Theme

Sustainable Development Theme	Green	Amber	Red	Report later / Contextual	Total
Sustainable Council	2			10	12
Sustainable Environment	2			4	6
Sustainable Communities	2	3		13	18
Total	6	3	0	27	36

Summary (Section 2) - number of Improvement Actions complete, green, amber and red under each Sustainable Development Theme

Council Priority/ Theme	Complete	Green	Amber	Red	Report later	Total
Sustainable Council	2	16	2		10	30
Sustainable Environment	1	17	1		3	22
Sustainable Communities	1	13	4		4	22
Total	4	46	7	0	17	74

Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy - Section 1: Quantitative Measures

The following section provides performance and contextual measures for each of the themes in the strategy. The performance measures highlights progress towards each of the outcomes. The contextual measures provide a health check; however, these are not fully in the scope of influence for the Council.

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

The council's carbon emissions are managed and reduced

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Reduction in the council's greenhouse gas emissions achieved by March 2022, compared to 2020-21 (buildings, fleet, household waste, street lighting, business travel)	Emissions for 2020-21 reduced by 19% compared with the previous year although this is largely as a result of changes to service provision throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. Data for 2021-22 will not be available until July 2022.	Report Later	5.0%	-----	16.7%	44.0%	19.0%
Overall percentage reduction in the Council's carbon footprint since the Council's original baseline of 2005-06	Carbon emissions reduced by 65% in 2020-21 compared with the baseline year 2005-06. The reductions are due to many projects and initiatives implemented throughout the period as well as reductions in nationally produced carbon conversion factors which are influenced by improvements in the national fuel mix. Carbon emissions reduced by 19% in 2020-21 compared with the previous year but this has largely been affected by the Covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions that changed Council service provision throughout the year.	Report Later	-----	-----	35.8%	56.9%	65.0%
Overall percentage reduction in the Council's carbon footprint compared to Scotland's nation target of 75% reduction by 2030 (based on 1990 levels)	Carbon emissions for the Council are not available as far back as 1990 which is the national baseline year. If the Council was to assume that we could have reduced by an annual average of 1% between 1990 and 2005 when we started to measure carbon emissions the Council could have achieved as much as an 80% reduction from 1990 to 2020-21.	Report Later	-----	-----	47.8%	68.9%	80.0%
Percentage reduction in energy consumption across the Council's estate for 2020-21 compared to 2013-14 baseline year	To be reported at year end.	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Percentage of non-domestic buildings that are heated through low/zero carbon technologies	To be reported at year end.	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Percentage of the Council's cars and light vehicles that are ultra-low emission vehicles	The position as at quarter two is that 37% of the small van and car fleet is electric.	Contextual	-----	37.0%	0.0%	0.0%	24.0%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

The council is environmentally responsible in the procurement, use and disposal of resources

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Percentage reduction in the procurement of single-use plastic items across the Council compared to the baseline year of 2018-19	An analysis of single use plastic reduction will be carried out at the end of 2021-22. The analysis that was planned to take place throughout the year has been on hold due to the adverse implications on single use items used during the pandemic.	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	0.0%	-----
Reduce embodied carbon from construction (new builds and refurbishment)	We are setting our current baseline information in order to measure improvement in future designs.	Green	-----	-----	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

The Public Sector Climate Change Duties are further embedded in service delivery and partnership working

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Self-evaluation results using Climate Change Assessment Tool	Self-evaluation was carried out in June 2021 as part of the development of the sustainable development and climate change strategy. The key results are as follows: Governance 79% Emissions 57% Adaptation 74% Behaviour 70% Procurement 38% Overall 65%	Green	-----	-----	0	0	-----
Carbon emissions in tonnage for South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority. (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019.	Contextual	-----	1,212.7	0.0	0.0	1,266.8
Percentage reduction on area-wide emissions compared to previous year: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019. This is in line with Scotland's overall reduction compared to the previous year.	Contextual	-----	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%
Per capita: emission within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019. South Lanarkshire's emissions per capita is below the Scottish average at 4.6 in 2019	Contextual	-----	3.80	0.00	0.00	4.00

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Environment

South Lanarkshire's natural environment is protected, enhanced, and respected

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Percentage of streets found to be acceptable during survey (Local Environmental Audit and Management System street cleanliness score)	This is a Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicator. 2020-21 information will be available in January 2022. The LEAMS audit programme for 2021-22 commenced on 1 July. This is integrated with the Litter Monitoring System this year, and an app has been developed by Zero Waste Scotland to collect audit data. There has been a delay in getting the app available for use, however this is the new platform to be used in line with the new COPLAR regulations.	Report Later	94.8%	-----	94.9%	94.8%	-----
The biennial State of the Environment report for South Lanarkshire provides a baseline for identifying local environmental issues and provides an overview of environmental conditions	It is anticipated that a final draft of the 2021 edition of the State of the Environment Report will be completed by the end of December 2021. It will be considered by the appropriate Committee thereafter. The current 2019 edition is available on the Council's website.	Report Later	-----	-----	0	0	-----
Number of Local Nature Reserves declared	We currently have one local nature reserve at Langlands Moss, with 16 additional local nature reserves approved by Planning Committee in October 2021. Formal legal declaration of these 16 new reserves is underway.	Green	-----	1	0	0	1
Proportion of LNRs with active community management groups	The current Langlands Nature Reserve has an active community management group. Of the 16 potential new LNRs, 8 of them have formally constituted community groups: Cadzow Glen, Hamilton; Fernbrae Meadows; Greenhall, Millheugh and Barnhill, Blantyre; Holmhill Wood Community Park, Cambuslang; Morgan Glen, Larkhall; Neilsland and Earnock Community Wood, Hamilton; Stonehouse Park, Stonehouse; Udston and Glenlee Woods, Hamilton.	Green	-----	52.90%	0.00%	0.00%	52.90%

South Lanarkshire's enhanced environment provides health and wellbeing benefits to local communities

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Percentage of adults satisfied with parks and open spaces (results from Scottish Household Survey)	This is a Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicator. 2020-21 information will be available in January 2022.	Report Later	77.1%	-----	80.4%	77.1%	-----

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Environment

South Lanarkshire's enhanced environment provides health and wellbeing benefits to local communities

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Numbers participating in Get Walking Lanarkshire health walks programme	All health walks now resumed during quarter two. Participation almost back to pre-pandemic levels. Number of walks and participants during quarter two: 297 walks, 2,829 walkers, averaging 9.5 participants per walk across the council.	Contextual	-----	2,829	0	0	0

Sustainable Communities

Homes and communities are energy efficient, environmentally sustainable, and fuel poverty is minimised

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Percentage of Council dwellings that are meeting the Energy Efficiency Standard for Social Housing 2 (EESH2) by 31 March 2022	To be reported at year end.	Report Later	-----	-----	91.10%	93.39%	93.88%
Housing carbon emissions in tonnage for South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019.	Contextual	-----	522.5	0.0	0.0	535.2
Percentage reduction on housing area-wide emissions compared to previous year: emissions within the scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019. This reduction is slightly lower than the total domestic reduction across Scotland at 2.74%	Contextual	-----	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.1%
Fuel poverty percentage in South Lanarkshire	To be reported in quarter four.	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	20.0%	22.0%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Communities

That council's strategies, plans and policies support communities to live more sustainably, reduce carbon emissions and adapt to a changing climate

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Percentage of total household waste that is recycled	The household recycling figure was previously reported on a financial year basis however we are now reporting on a calendar year as this reflects the Scottish Government Target. The provisional figure for calendar year quarter 2 (January to June 2021) is 41.49%, which is an improvement over the same period (January – June) the previous year. This is due to an improvement in the quality of recycling materials, particularly the fibre mix, which has led to a reduction in the rejection rates of these materials. The figure is slightly below the final overall 2020 figure (42.00%) and remains below the target (50.00%).	Amber	50.00%	41.49%	44.30%	46.40%	42.00%
Percentage of material accepted by the council's paper and card processor (compared to 2020/21 figure)	Overall improvement attained compared to the same period in 2020. The fibre mix has seen a reduction in the rejection rates of these materials.	Amber	97.0%	94.5%	-----	97.0%	94.1%
Percentage of household waste recycled at the council's household waste and recycling centres	Improvement in the recycling rate at the HWRC sites has been achieved as the sites have been fully operational and accepting all recycle streams as opposed offering a reduced service during the same period last year due to the pandemic restrictions.	Amber	64.5%	59.8%	-----	64.5%	63.3%
Percentage of household waste sent to landfill in 2021	Performance against this measure is reported by calendar year. During quarter two (April - June 2021) 12.1% of household waste was sent to landfill, and the year to date figure is 12.5% (target is to be below 15%).	Green	15.0%	12.5%	-----	-----	9.7%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Number of properties prone to flooding in South Lanarkshire	SEPA's 2018 National Flood Risk Assessment published the no. of properties predicted to be at risk within South Lanarkshire during a medium likelihood (1:200yr) flooding scenario:- Homes: 6,600 out of 148,200 (1 in 22). Businesses and Services: 1,900 out of 17,500 (1 in 9). Total: 8,500 out of 165,700 (1 in 19).	Contextual	-----	8,500	0	0	8,500
Percentage of adults travelling to work by active or public transport (Scottish Household Survey)	The Transport and Travel in Scotland Statistics and the Scottish Household Survey for 2020 have not been published by Transport Scotland. It is anticipated that this will be available early next year. There were 21% of employed adults (not working from home) whose usual method of travel to work was by active or public transport during 2019. 7% walked, 1% cycled, 4% by bus and 9% by rail. This shows a 2% increase when compared to the previous year's data (2018) where 19% recorded their usual method of travel to work was by active or public transport - 7% walked, 3% cycled, 3% by bus and 6% by rail. Nationally in 2019 and 2018 these figures were 29.7% and 30.2% showing a 0.5% decrease in travel to work by active or public transport. *note no figures are available for the percentage of adults traveling to education by active or public transport.	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	0.0%	-----

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Communities

That council's strategies, plans and policies support communities to live more sustainably, reduce carbon emissions and adapt to a changing climate

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Percentage mode share of children travelling to school by active or public transport (annual national 'Hands Up' survey)	<p>The 2021 survey has been undertaken and provisional results are expected early next year.</p> <p>The 2020 survey has now been formally published and this is detailed as follows: - There were 59.8% of children travelling to primary and secondary school by active or public transport during 2020 (excluding nursery). 39.4% walked, 2.8% cycled, 1.9% by scooter/skate and 15.7% by bus. This is an increase of 0.5% when compared to 2019 data which was 59.3%. (37.6% walked, 2.8% cycled, 1.9% by scooter/skate and 17% by bus). Nationally in 2020 and 2019 these figures were 65.3% and 63.8% showing a 1.5% increase.</p>	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	0.0%	59.8%
Number of charging infrastructure points available to the public within South Lanarkshire	Project PACE saw 80 additional charge points installed within the SLC area, with an additional 10 charging points coming from other funding during the current financial year. In total the council has 133 public charge points across South Lanarkshire.	Contextual	-----	133	44	42	43
Carbon emissions tonnage for transport emissions in South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019.	Contextual	-----	337.1	0.0	0.0	364.1
Percentage reduction in carbon emissions from transport compared to previous year: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019. The reduction is slightly higher than the national average for Scotland of transport emissions reduction on 2.07%	Contextual	-----	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	4.7%
Carbon emission tonnage for industry in South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019. This is the total for Industry and Commercial together.	Contextual	-----	306.0	0.0	0.0	367.5

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Percentage reduction in carbon emissions from industry in South Lanarkshire compared to previous year: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	This figure was provided by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2021. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure relates to carbon emissions for 2019. This is the total reduction for Industry and Commercial together. This figure is slightly higher than the national reduction figure for Industry and Commercial at 6.6%	Contextual	-----	6.8%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%

Local communities are supported in taking action to be more environmentally responsible

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Percentage of schools actively engaged with the eco-schools programme	All 125 primary and 18 secondary schools in South Lanarkshire are registered with Eco-schools and take part in a wide array of environmental activities through their eco committees and teams. A total of 60 establishments in South Lanarkshire currently hold the coveted Green Flag award, including 10 partner nurseries / private schools.	Green	-----	100.0%	0.0%	-----	-----
Number of volunteer days from the Environmental Volunteering programme across South Lanarkshrie during 2020-21	The total number of volunteering days will be collated at the end of quarter four. Environmental Volunteering Programme has shown further signs of recovery from Covid-19 lockdown restrictions during quarter two. Locally based management/"friends of" groups continue to function, primarily through social media and online meetings. Some clean-ups and a wider range of site management activities were achieved during quarter two.	Report Later	1,000	-----	1,743	8,221	2,380

Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy - Section 2: Improvement Actions

The following section provides improvement actions that contribute towards meeting the outcomes in each theme for this financial year.

Sustainable Council

The council's carbon emissions are managed and reduced

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Establish new carbon reduction targets for the Council in line with the climate change bill 2019	Review carbon reduction targets and recommend new targets for the Council, with approval from the climate change and sustainability committee by March 2022	Long term carbon reduction targets will be set during the development of the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2022-27, due to be published mid 2022.	Report Later
Continue to implement energy efficiency measures across council facilities including investment in renewable energy solutions and low/zero-carbon heating	Number of projects delivered as part of the CEEF programme during 2021-22	To be reported at year end.	Report Later
	Agree a strategy for the transition of non-domestic buildings to low/zero carbon heating	A draft strategy document has been prepared by a consultant and the recommendations are being considered.	Green
Create the conditions for the decarbonisation of the council's fleet	Implement year two of the Fleet Strategy (2020-2025) Action Plan and monitor its impacts, including emissions reduction levels and the trialling of new technologies	Work with Resources to deliver the key strategic outcomes of the Fleet Strategy is ongoing. This includes ensuring the Council has an appropriately sized fleet with the right vehicles to ensure its services operate in an efficient and effective manner, that vehicles are maintained to be safe, efficient and legally compliant, and the impact on the environment is reduced. The replacement of diesel vehicles with 150 electric cars and small vans in the last year has significantly contributed to reducing vehicle fuel consumption, emissions and the impact on the environment.	Green
Enable employees to walk and/or cycle for business travel and commuting	Activities/initiatives implemented during 2020-21 to enable and encourage, where possible, employees to walk and cycle for business travel and commuting	Cycle to work launched in April 2021 with 107 applications. Scheme to be re-launched in November 2021 to coincide with COP26.	Green
	Review number of cycling friendly locations during 2021-22	Final checks to be made to finalise additional cycle friendly location identified at Brandon Gate, Hamilton.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
	Develop case study examples from the 'Cycle to Work' Scheme on the impact this scheme has had on staff engaging in active travel	Case studies to be finalised with participants from previous schemes to be contacted.	Green

The council is environmentally responsible in the procurement, use and disposal of resources

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Continue to develop procurement processes to improve environmental outcomes and ensure compliance with the council's sustainable procurement duty	Progress with sustainable procurement actions as identified through the Flexible Framework action plan	Some challenges to date in progressing Flexible Framework actions, with Prioritisation Tool next key priority for high profile categories	Amber
	Consider wider training opportunities on use of prioritisation tools	Procurement Network have been asked to undertake Scottish Procurement sustainability training with a view to wider rollout throughout the organisation.	Green
	Update Sourcing Strategy to further embed sustainability measures from evaluation to contract management	Proposals on sustainability approach, including Fair Work First, currently being developed for implementation in Sourcing Strategy and future tenders.	Green
	Using the prioritisation tool undertake prioritisation assessments for construction, social care and information technology categories	Approach to Prioritisation Tools agreed with Procurement Network in June at specific Sustainable Procurement session with resources to be identified to progress by March 2022.	Amber
Promote the 'reduce, reuse and recycle' principle across the Council to make better use of materials and create less damage to the environment	Initiatives implemented during 2020-21 to reduce single use items across the Council	The planned initiatives for reducing single use items has been stalled due to the council coffee shops being closed for most of the year. However the effect on the use of single use items due to Covid-19 is expected to have increased. An analysis of the procurement of a number of single use items including disposable PPE will be carried out before March 2022.	Report Later
	Initiatives implemented during 2020-21 to recycle more within Council workplaces	Bid submitted to the Recycling Improvement Fund to procure Perspex recycling bins within Council offices for co-mingled material which will encourage staff to recycle more effectively and prevent contamination.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
	Introduce a reuse scheme for employees and investigate expanding this to schools	Proposals for a reuse scheme will be presented before March 2022.	Report Later
	Involvement in national campaigns promoting the circular economy	Supported various national campaigns with global staff emails and intranet/The View articles and social media posts. Campaigns included Recycle Week 2021, Plastic Free July, Love Food Hate Waste, Single use plastics new legislation and Food Waste Action Week.	Green
Establish further baselines for performance measures to demonstrate 'The Council is environmentally responsible in the procurement, use and disposal of resources'	Develop an understanding of the emissions from the Council's supply chain to further reduce emissions from procurement of goods and services	Initial discussions with the Procurement Team have taken place to understand how emissions from our supply chain could be quantified. External advice has also been sought and we are awaiting guidance on how public sector could measure emissions from the supply chain consistently.	Report Later
	Further mainstream the principles of a circular economy in the Council's procurement of goods and services, and service delivery	This action will be explored further as part of the development of the sustainable development and climate change strategy	Report Later

The public sector climate change duties are further embedded in service delivery and partnership working

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Review and conclude the council's Sustainable Development and Climate Change	Complete review and development sessions with various stakeholders including Council officers, local community groups, members of the public, young people in schools and further education, Community Planning Partners, and local businesses, by August 2021	Engagement sessions undertaken as part of the development of the strategy are now complete. This has involved: a workshop and focus groups involving approximately 100 people from both the council and wider community; and a wider survey based on the findings from those previous events (over 800 responses were received from the survey).	Complete

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

The public sector climate change duties are further embedded in service delivery and partnership working

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Strategy (2017-2022), and develop the new strategy (2022-2027)	Develop a draft strategy for the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee approval by September 2021	An elected members session took place on 8 October to review the draft structure of the strategy based on the engagement sessions and national targets and milestones. A report on the ongoing process for the development of the strategy, in particular public consultation on the proposed vision, themes, and priorities, was presented to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee on 3 November. A draft strategy will be presented for approval to the Full Council in May-June 2022.	Green
	Undertake a public consultation on the draft strategy and Strategic Environmental Assessment by December 2021	Outcome of the consultation will be reported at a later date.	Report Later
	Develop final strategy for the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee approval by March 2022	Development of the strategy ongoing. Public engagement has now been completed and shaped the vision, themes and priorities. Work on the SEA is currently underway and once complete will go out for public consultation in January for 6 weeks, along with the consultation draft of the strategy. As no Climate Change and Sustainability Committee meetings have been scheduled after February 2022 due to Council moratorium as a result of elections, decision has been made to present the final strategy for approval to Full Council alongside the Council Plan and Community Plan in May-June 2022. Work is ongoing with Services to populate the first year's action plan.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Continue a collaborative approach to climate adaptation and resilience through the city region's Climate Ready Clyde Partnership	The Council's contribution to implementing year 1 of Climate Ready Clyde's Adaptation Strategy Action Plan	The Council's main actions around climate adaptation include mainstreaming in Council plans and strategies like the LDP2 and biodiversity strategy, capacity building across Services, and research into climate resilience of embankments and stabilising slopes. The Council is also working closely with other LA's in Glasgow City Region on flagship action #1. Local authorities in the region working together to build capabilities and deliver collaborative adaptation	Green
Continue to raise awareness of climate adaptation and resilience across the Council, build internal capacity, accelerating adaptation action, and encourage dialogue on climate adaptation and resilience with communities	Apply Adaptation Scotland's Capability Framework to understand the Council's capability level and areas for improvement	Work on the capability framework is at an early stage and will be advanced through the development and implementation of the sustainable development and climate change strategy 2022-2027	Green

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Sustainable Council

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Ensure Strategic Environmental Assessment of all appropriate policies, plans, programmes and strategies is undertaken	Produce annual SEA report for Executive Committee, and other governance groups, which includes an assessment of the impact the SEA process has had on the preparation of the plans, policies and strategies, and the difference it had on the final documents	The annual report on SEA progress was approved by the Executive Committee on 26 May 2021.	Complete
Maximise funding to further deliver the Council's climate change duties (mitigate, adapt and act sustainably) across the Council and wider area	Create a plan that maximises the environmental impact across South Lanarkshire using the £2m Climate Challenge South Lanarkshire budget and establish performance measures for each project to report impact	A report was presented to the climate change and sustainability committee on the 28th April 2021 outlining a plan for maximising the climate challenge fund for South Lanarkshire. Some of the funding was agreed to be used for additional resources to focus on communications, funding/investment, green economy, and energy efficiency. Two of the development officers are now in post (comms and funding), the other 4 posts should be in place by the end of March 2022. Services are also applying for funding to progress projects and carry out feasibility studies. The small grants fund for communities will launch in January 2022. Performance measures for projects and additional resources are being agreed and will be reported on at a later date.	Green
Introduce the changes from the Climate Change (Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements)	Establish how the Council will align its spending plans and use of resources to deliver its emission reduction targets	This will be explored as part of the development of the sustainable development and climate change strategy	Report Later
	Investigate setting targets for indirect emissions and a date for zero direct emissions for the Council	Long term carbon reduction targets will be set during the development of the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2022-27, due to be published mid 2022.	Report Later

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Sustainable Council

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
(Scotland) Amendment Order 2020 which comes into force for reporting year 2021-22	Publish an annual report on the Council's progress in achieving its carbon reduction targets on the Council website by 30th November 2021	The annual climate change duties report was approved by the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee on the 3rd November. This will be submitted to the Scottish Government before the 30th November. This report will be published on the website along with a film designed by graphics providing the highlights from the report including the council's carbon emissions reductions	Green
Build on current partnerships and relations across South Lanarkshire that will support and enable a transition to net-zero area-wide emissions and mitigate climate risks	Work with Community Planning Partners in embedding climate change action in the work of the CPP and planning for place with a proposal for a collaborate approach to tackling climate change in South Lanarkshire to the CPP board in June 2021	Work is ongoing with further mainstreaming climate change in community planning partnership. A climate change event took place on the 30th June with CPP pan-Lanarkshire. The event focussed on the climate emergency, a green recovery, a just transition, and policy coherence for climate change. Findings from the discussion have been incorporated in to a report back to the CPP board with recommendations on how to further embed climate change across the CPP. This report will be presented to the board on 2nd December. There is also a post-COP climate change event being held with CPP board members on the 30th November.	Green
	Investigate the potential of establishing a South Lanarkshire Climate Change Charter/Statement to allow businesses to sign up to	This action will be progressed as part of the development of the sustainable development and climate change strategy	Report Later

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Environment

South Lanarkshire's natural environment is protected, enhanced and respected

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Work in partnership to reduce land and air pollution within South Lanarkshire, minimising the impacts on human health and the natural environment	Progress the development of a formal Litter Strategy that identifies a range of options and timescales to promote the new Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse, with particular emphasis on prevention	The development of a Litter Strategy for South Lanarkshire Council is progressing and will be launched in June 2022. Component parts of the strategy are currently being developed along with cooperative working with a range of departments within the Council. A public consultation questionnaire was also completed in August 2021 with 1,340 responses.	Amber
	Implement Air Quality Action Plan for 2021-22 which contributes to improving air quality in South Lanarkshire	Work continues on progressing action plan measures for improving air quality. The Vehicle Emission Testing programme has been undertaken over the summer months. Beat the Street Cambuslang and Rutherglen game has now commenced with approximately 60,000 miles travelled sustainably by almost 8,000 people within the first two weeks of the project. The joint North and South Walking and Cycling in Strathclyde Park has also been promoted during the summer months. Work has also commenced on the walking and cycling promotional campaign.	Green
	Implement the Contaminated Land Strategy for South Lanarkshire	Work continues on implementing the Contaminated Land Strategy. The development control process continues to consider sites affected by historical contamination. Examples of this include Clyde Gateway regeneration, Philips lighting factory site re-development, Hamilton and Motorola site re-development within East Kilbride.	Green
	Implement projects approved within the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund framework for 2021-22	VDLF Delivery Plan 2021-22 submitted and approved by Scottish Government. Report also approved at Community and Enterprise Resources Committee on 28 September 2021.	Green

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Sustainable Environment

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Prepare an Open Space Strategy in partnership with Glasgow and Clyde Valley Green Network Partnership and other council services. Strategy will contain standards on access to and quality of open spaces	Continue with the preparation of the strategy during 2021-22, which includes audits of existing open space and analysis	Technical work is continuing on open space audit and quality assessments of sites across South Lanarkshire. Scottish Government draft regulations for planning authorities on the preparation of Open Space Strategies (OSS) was due to be published in June 2021 but this has been delayed. This will provide guidance on the content, timescales and engagement requirements for OSS.	Report Later
	Establish baseline for proportion of population in South Lanarkshire that has access to good quality open space	This measure will be achieved through the preparation of the Open Space Strategy which will become a statutory requirement once the relevant part of the 2019 Planning Act takes effect. In the meantime consultation on draft Regulations and guidance is expected to be published for consultation in quarter three.	Report Later
Implement the Council's Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan	Actions delivered within the Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan during 2020-21 and the impact these actions have made to improving biodiversity across the Council's estate	Some projects and actions were delayed due to Covid restrictions; a summary of outstanding work is being created to form the basis of an interim Strategy for 2022-23 leading to the formation of new Plans.	Green
Continue to work in partnership to deliver actions from South Lanarkshire's	The Council's progress on the delivery of actions from the South Lanarkshire's Biodiversity Strategy during 2020-21	Some projects and actions were delayed due to Covid restrictions; a summary of outstanding work is being created to form the basis of an interim Strategy for 2022-23 leading to the formation of new Plans that will take account of new Scottish objectives.	Green

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Biodiversity Strategy 2018-2022	Develop case study examples demonstrating the impact from partnership projects during 2020-21	Case studies will be developed as part of work summaries and creation of new strategies. Examples of key projects can be seen in the Biodiversity Duty Report on the Council website.	Green
Maximise the use of our natural environment to help mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	Details of nature-based solution projects that contribute to mitigate or adapt to climate change during 2020-21	Nature Restoration Programme during 2021-22 and 2022-23 will progress nature-based solution work that contributes to Climate Change as well as biodiversity objectives. SLC has developed it's Nature Restoration Programme initially during 2021 to 2023 thanks to Scottish Government Nature Restoration Funding and SLC Climate Emergency Fund. The focus is on improving biodiversity of various sites, including for pollinators. This aims to enable species to exist more easily in urban environments by creating stepping stones of habitats, improving the resilience of key species in a changing climate. Some areas will require less regular vehicle mowing. Tree planting and long grass also have the capacity to store more carbon and intercept rainwater better than amenity grass can.	Green
	Establish a South Lanarkshire canopy cover target for 2032	South Lanarkshire is working with seven other local authorities, the government, and other partners for a major woodland creation project - 'The Clyde Climate Forest' with a target to increase regional Tree Canopy Cover from 16.6% to 20% of urbanised areas by 2032.	Green
	Develop interactive web based urban forestry tools to explore, share and communicate, and express the increase in value (ecosystem services) potential tree planting could bring to the community in monetary terms	The Council has recently sourced an IT system that will meet the objectives and allow us to analyse our current canopy cover and how this can be expanded in the future.	Green

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	Contribute and support the objectives of the Clyde Climate Forest (CCF) project	The council is supporting the objectives of the CCF through the active involvement of the Arboricultural Officer. The council has contributed financially to Forest Research analysing the new aerial photography to identify more accurately our urban tree canopy cover (data available around the end of the year). This information will be uploaded into our new IT system to allow better analysis and planning.	Green
	Create and maintain a record of the Council's existing tree resource to understand the quantity, quality and the value it provides in terms of ecosystem services - such as carbon sequestration, air quality improvement or water uptake - expressed in monetary terms	The council has installed a tree asset management software called Tree plotter (inventory). This software allows the recording of the quantity, quality, nature and condition, of the councils tree assets along with the value they provide in terms of ecosystem services , such as carbon sequestration pa, in monetary terms. The software will help manage, protect and enhance council trees and support the CCF. The software has also been adapted to help record potential tree planting sites at a landscape level and supports the development of Tree plotter (canopy) software.	Green
Protect, enhance and respect South Lanarkshire's natural environment	Prepare a plan to inspect trees for signs of ash dieback disease	Work has been continuing on this since last year, desk top exercise was completed on road verge ash trees as this could impact significantly on road closures should such trees fall. Arbor section have recently purchased IT software packages specifically designed for mapping tree canopy which would include ash dieback mapping.	Green
	Investigate potential for increasing number of Local Nature Reserves	Work on this is ongoing, and a full update will be provided later in the year.	Green

Sustainable Environment

South Lanarkshire's enhanced environment provides health and wellbeing benefits to local communities

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
In partnership with local communities, continue programme of restructuring council owned woodland and improving recreational access	Consult on Management Plans for Bothwell and Blantyre Woods with community interests, David Livingstone Centre and other stakeholders by March 2022	A draft Management Plan has been developed for Bothwell Woods. Initial discussions have taken place with David Livingstone Trust. Wider structured public consultation continues to be delayed until later in 2021-22 due to Covid-19 restrictions and lockdowns preventing public meetings and exhibitions.	Green
	Continue to explore funding opportunities for phase 2 regeneration work at Greenhall and Millheugh, Blantyre including costed proposals for replacement river crossing	A replacement river crossing is required at Milheugh. Funding has been secured to enable a bridge to be designed. This design work is now programmed for quarter four. This costed design will enable wider funding to be sought for the construction. The Green Action Trust and the Friends of the Calder will assist securing funding bids for the bridge and further woodland management.	Green
Contribute to community health and wellbeing through well managed and accessible outdoor and greenspace	Retain Green Flag accreditation at Strathaven Park, Cambuslang Park and Castlebank Park, through implementation of agreed action plans for 2021-22	Judging took place during Summer/Autumn 2021 all parks retained their Green Flag status.	Complete
	Undertake sample case studies to determine impacts – including % of volunteers expressing positive experience/ health benefits	Levels of volunteering slowly recovering since Covid lockdown, but ongoing restrictions mean that participation levels are still well below pre pandemic. Sample case studies will be deferred until quarter four.	Report Later

Sustainable Environment

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Encourage recreational and active travel, and access to the outdoors by implementing Outdoor Access Strategy and extending Clyde Walkway	Delivery of repairs programme to footbridges across the core path network by March 2022 in line with available external and internal capital funding (The Core Paths Plan)	Progress on the repairs programme remains limited due to Covid-19 restrictions resulting in the continued unavailability of Unpaid Work Service and environmental volunteers to assist. Several small to medium-scale repairs of boardwalks and bridges were undertaken on the Clyde Walkway by Countryside and Greenspace staff during Covid-19 restrictions.	Green
	Develop plan for linking The Clyde Walkway to 'Scotland's Great Trails' long-distance strategic access network	The strategic framework is being incorporated within the South West Scotland Green Action Travel project proposal bid. If successful, this will undertake detailed evaluation of route options and costs to achieve these links. Discussions held with Destination Tweed re linking to the Tweed Source to Sea proposals. Discussions also held re route options from Glenbuck to Happendon/Poniel.	Green

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Sustainable Communities

Homes and communities are energy efficient, environmentally sustainable, and fuel poverty is minimised

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Explore options for innovative and affordable low carbon energy and heating solutions in local areas that will contribute towards national climate change ambitions	During 2021-22 consider and prepare for the development of a new Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy (LHEES) in line with the Scottish Government's proposed implementation date of 2023	<p>As part of the preparation and development towards a full LHEES Strategy required by 2023, the council is one of 14 Scottish local authorities to access the latest Scottish Government Resource Call for the next phase of LHEES pilots.</p> <p>This project looks to build on the previous LHEES pilot, completed in 2019, following updated methodology created by the Scottish Government. The project will aim to expand existing energy and decarbonisation data sets for domestic and non-domestic buildings across all areas of South Lanarkshire. To support its delivery, the council have appointed a leading environmental and climate change consultant to deliver the work, estimated to be completed by March 2022.</p>	Green
Continue to improve the energy efficiency of the Council's housing stock contributing towards national climate change ambitions	The Housing Investment Programme continues to incorporate sustainable changes to the Council's housing stock during 2021-22	To be reported at year end.	Report Later

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Continue to maximise Home Energy Efficiency Programme funding to support owners and private rented properties	Total amount of funding secured and delivered for 2021-22 from Energy Efficient Scotland: Area Based Schemes programme	To be reported at year end.	Report Later
Develop and deliver appropriate partnership actions to provide and promote energy advice and support to households resulting in warmer homes and helping to reduce fuel poverty	Continue to work with local partners within the Fuel Poverty sub-group to reduce fuel poverty	<p>Through the Financial Inclusion Network Fuel Poverty Sub Group, the council and its housing, energy and advice partners continue to identify issues and develop solutions in relation to fuel poverty across all areas of South Lanarkshire.</p> <p>To improve officer understanding of fuel poverty and how different services can help, training and awareness sessions were delivered to specific services by Home Energy Scotland and Energy Action Scotland. This included advice of saving on energy costs and overview of new technology such as Air Source Heat Pumps.</p> <p>In addition, the group is now working with the Energy Savings Trust to improve the accuracy of fuel poverty modelling in South Lanarkshire, with the aim of allowing targeted interventions to households who are suspected to be in fuel poverty.</p>	Green

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That council's strategies, plans and policies support communities to live more sustainably, reduce carbon emissions and adapt to a changing climate

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Undertake participation rate study to establish the % of householders using the council's food waste collection service	Share of households using food caddy to dispose food waste to inform Council initiatives in relation to food waste in the following years of implementation of the strategy (subject to Covid restrictions lifted)	Participation surveys scheduled for February 2022 when the low level of garden waste in burgundy bins makes it easier to assess if food waste is being presented in the bin.	Report Later

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Participation in the Green Heat in Greenspace project being run by Greenspace Scotland	Identify potential opportunities for sources of sustainable heat in South Lanarkshire's greenspace	The Council was a core partner in the Green Heat in Greenspace project being led by Greenspace Scotland. This project was set up to identify and quantify specific opportunities in green and blue spaces within urban settlements across Scotland to support low carbon heat solutions (heat pumps and district heating networks). This project was primarily focussing on solutions for decarbonising the public sector. The project was carried out over a 7 month period and ended in June 2021. The Council was provided with a report with data specific for the South Lanarkshire area. The findings of this report will be incorporated into the Strategic Energy Review being undertaken by changeworks.	Complete

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Manage flooding priorities and deliver prioritised flood protection schemes	Progress/deliver prioritised flood protection projects/studies in line with available capital and revenue funding	<p>River Clyde Flood Modelling and Mapping Project: Work is underway to develop a new hydraulic river model for the River Clyde, produce updated flood maps, and establish current and future flood risk within our area. The cyber-attack experienced by SEPA has severely impacted their ability to review the project's Hydrology and Hydraulics Reports, which has led to delays in this project. Although other project deliverables were brought forward in an attempt to minimise the delay to the programme, the original completion date of May 2021 has slipped to December 2021.</p> <p>Greenlees Drainage Improvement Works: This project includes the reconstruction of the culvert inlet arrangements at Staffa Road in Cambuslang and the lining of the upstream culvert beneath the A749 East Kilbride Road. The project has awarded and works are now programmed to commence on site in October 2021 with an estimated completion date of December 2021.</p> <p>Programme of culvert maintenance: This is an ongoing programme of works to improve our network of culvert inlets and their surrounding areas in order to improve the performance of our assets and the safety of operatives maintaining these assets. Works identified this year include the repair/replacement of culvert inlet trash screens and the construction of suitable access paths, steps, fencing and handrails.</p>	Green

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Encourage greater use of public transport by working with partners to improve public transport infrastructure	Progress/deliver prioritised improvements to bus and rail infrastructure (e.g. park and ride) in line with agreed Park and Ride Strategy (2018-2027) and available external funding	<p>A number of Park and Ride projects are being taken forward as outlined below: -</p> <p>1. Lanark Interchange Project – A planning application has been submitted, and if granted, works will be programmed for this financial year. Cambuslang Park and Ride – Works were completed in summer 2021 and the Park and Ride is open.</p> <p>2. East Kilbride Rail Enhancement Project – The Council is in partnership with Transport Scotland, Network Rail, SPT and Sustrans to take forward park and ride, bus interchange, pedestrian/cycle route access enhancements.</p> <p>Bus shelter infrastructure works have been identified following discussions with SPT and a programme of works is currently being prepared.</p>	Green

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Encourage active travel by extending our network of cycle routes	Progress / deliver walking and cycling projects / schemes in line with agreed 2021-22 capital programme	<p>A number of cycling and walking projects are progressing and these are listed below: -</p> <p>1) Active Travel Studies – The three studies for Bothwell, Uddingston and Blantyre Area / Strathaven, Stonehouse and surrounding villages and Larkhall have been completed. These will be posted on the Council's website in the coming weeks and priorities will be taken forward as resources permit.</p> <p>2) East Kilbride Cycle Network - This project on West Mains Road is split into phases to reflect current and anticipated future funding availability as well as connecting into the East Kilbride Rail Corridor Enhancement project being taken forward by Network Rail. Construction of a section on West Mains Road between the rail station and a point to the east of Kirktonholm Road is currently being constructed and will be completed in November 2021. Consultation of future phases will be undertaken in November and projects taken forward for delivery later in the financial year.</p> <p>3) Bothwell/Uddingston Cycle Network (NCN74 Raith to NCN75 Uddingston) – Consultation on options will be undertaken in October and projects taken forward for delivery later in the financial year.</p> <p>4) Carstairs Junction to Carluke – Consultation on options has been completed and is currently being reviewed, and projects will be taken forward for delivery later in the financial year.</p> <p>5) Pedestrian and Cycle Counting equipment – Locations for new equipment will be considered and implemented later in the financial year.</p> <p>6) Cycle Parking Provision in Town Centres – Locations for new</p>	Green

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		<p>shelters will be considered and implemented later in the financial year.</p> <p>7) Cycle Shelters and parking stands in schools – Locations for new shelters have been identified and funding successfully awarded. Shelters will be installed later in the financial year.</p> <p>8) Cycle Route designs currently being taken forward in various locations Larkhall to Blackwood / Carluke and Law / Hamilton / Lanark / Cambuslang and Newton.</p> <p>9) Car Free Zones at Schools - 2 schools (Burnside Primary School and St Joseph's Primary School) will have zones in place later this year once signing is in place.</p>	

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	Complete the four Spaces for People projects in line with available funding, taking cognisance of Covid-19 restrictions / developments and government guidance	<p>The project to improve the NCN75 corridor is complete. The remaining 3 projects with associated interventions are continuing and these are detailed below: -</p> <p>1) Active Travel Network (EK cycle Route) – construction works were completed in May in relation to cycle lanes between East Kilbride Rail Station and the Town Centre (Torrance Road / Brouster Hill) and on Cornwall Street. Consultation and monitoring will be undertaken in the coming weeks.</p> <p>2) School Outdoor Environment - Works are largely completed subject to a small number of minor works to be undertaken. This has resulted in the implementation of 20mph “zones” at approximately 90 schools. Consultation and monitoring will be undertaken in the coming weeks.</p> <p>3) Town Centres – Works are complete where 20mph cordons in six town centres have been established (Carluke, Lanark, Bothwell, Strathaven, Larkhall and Uddingston). Consultation and monitoring will be undertaken in the coming weeks.</p>	Green

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Develop a sustainable food system to overcome social, health, economic and environmental issues related to food	Implement year two of the Good Food Strategy (2020-2025) Action Plan and monitor its impacts. particularly in relation to food insecurity and poverty as a result of Covid-19	The second-year action plan of the Good Food Strategy is being implemented. The council continues to support local food organisations with their food deliveries. From April to mid-September, 10,489 food parcels have been distributed by the council (the equivalent of 167,824 meals) and 485 households have also reached help through the council Community Wellbeing Line. Local food banks will share their data later this year which will help to have a better understanding of the level of food insecurity in the council area. Detailed information on the implementation of the strategy will be available in the quarter two food action plan progress reports to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee.	Green
Develop supporting planning guidance in support of the Local Development Plan and the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy action plan to ensure new buildings	Supporting Planning Guidance to be developed and presented to committee for approval by March 2022 and thereafter be subject to public consultation	The delay in receiving the examination report for the Local Development Plan 2 and the publication of the draft national planning policy National Planning Framework 4 has resulted in the timescale for the preparation of the Supporting Planning Guidance to be reviewed. It is intended to seek committee approval for householder development and Electric Vehicle Charging Points by early winter 2021. Other Supporting Planning Guidance is being prepared relating to the Local Nature Reserves and work has commenced on issues relating to Climate Change.	Amber

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are designed to be as carbon neutral as possible and resilient to climate change and to encourage the retrofitting of appropriate technology in existing buildings	Awareness sessions to be developed for planning officers and developers/agents to ensure roll out in 2022-23	Follow up monitoring delayed due to other workload priorities.	Amber
Review and update guidance for building standards surveyors in relation to climate change mitigation in new buildings and the adaptation of existing buildings	Monitor effectiveness of actions implemented in March 2021 and consider further service specific actions by March 2022	Follow up monitoring delayed due to other workload priorities.	Amber
Provide advice and support to businesses in the transition to a net-zero economy	Develop an Economic 'Response, Recovery and Renewal' Strategy framed around three themes: People, Place and Business, whilst creating the right conditions for a low carbon economy for Committee approval by June 2021	Owing to continued pressures on resources as a consequence of Covid-19 emergency business grant funding continuing to summer 2021, the draft Economic Recovery Strategy is now nearing completion for final consultation and approval at Community and Enterprise Resources Committee in December 2021	Amber
	Support provided to Smart Sustainable East Kilbride (SSEK) in the delivery of their action plan priorities for 2021-22 (subject to approval of Council and other funding partners)	A review of the EK Taskforce and SSEK is ongoing. This will determine the future role and relationship.	Report Later

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	Work with partners and local businesses in the approved Low Carbon Challenge Fund project to identify the challenges and opportunities in the repurposing of assets in the key sectors of renewables, aerospace and rail	Discussions are ongoing in a regular programme of Project Board meetings with LCCF partners to define and advance the project challenges and opportunities. This will involve liaising with local businesses to identify potential development opportunities. A local business has recently embraced a 'green' approach to development and we are currently encouraging the business to become a case study that could be used SL wide to promote positive approaches to 'greening' business developments.	Green

Local communities are supported in taking action to be more environmentally responsible

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Work towards the introduction of Part 9 of the Community Empowerment Act 2015 in relation to food growing	Implement year 2 Food Growing Strategy's action plan to continue to increase all types of food growing provision across South Lanarkshire	Action plan has been implemented and we are working through the timescales to complete actions before the action plan is reviewed again at the end of the year and updated for 2022.	Green

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As part of a longer-term plan to enhance the school curriculum, formulate a process to coherently capture aspects of sustainability and climate change in	Identification and collation of sustainability and climate change activity within the school curriculum during 2021-22 as a single source of information	<p>We have surveyed all secondary schools to collate sustainability and climate change activity, this is complete and we also used the results for a practical exercise for the youth forum to discuss.</p> <p>We have prepared a survey to go out to all our primary schools and this will be sent out by the end of November 2021 and again this will be part of further discussions with the youth forum.</p>	Green

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the school curriculum and continue to engage young people in environmental education through Eco Schools or other initiatives	Establish a baseline with a carbon footprint calculator for all establishments and set a carbon reduction target for each establishment	<p>Work is ongoing in developing the Schools Carbon Footprint Calculator.</p> <p>A prototype was presented to the High schools Youth Forum representatives in October 2021 receiving positive feedback, and Education Resources is looking to finalise and issue this over the coming weeks.</p> <p>This will also be adapted shortly to allow it to be issued to Primary Schools for use early 2022.</p>	Green

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	Work with CQIS to further imbed sustainability within the curriculum and create a pupil voice forum to inform decision making on sustainability Council wide	<p>Schools are currently being empowered to lead their sustainability plan in a range of ways, one of which is via the Young Person's Sustainability Forum and the Climate Emergency Newsroom. Both mechanisms are led by young people who are then provided with opportunities to take their learning and leadership skills back to their learning communities and lead initiatives in the context of their local area.</p> <p>The Forum will lead on aspects of climate change and sustainability within the school curriculum but also how they can influence decision making across the authority.</p> <p>An offshoot of the Forum is The Climate Emergency Newsroom which empowered young people to be involved in COP26 where updates on events and decisions from COP26 were reported live to their peers and school audience.</p>	Green
Work in partnership to provide the appropriate skills required for employment opportunities in the low carbon and renewable energy industry	Promotion and tracking of initiatives/events to promote participation in STEM	<p>The Continuity of Learning Team in the CQIS have put together the first draft of a SLC Skills Framework. This uses SDS Meta-Skills, the Career Education Standard, CfE Skills for Learning Life and Work and the CfE Four Capacities documentation to align both universal and transferrable skills with the four capacities. There are two key skill sets to each of the CfE capacities and these then break down the skill set into key skills which can be developed. There will be exemplification and links from the skills to career pathways, including STEM and low carbon and renewable energy industry.</p> <p>The aim is to make the framework easy for teachers to use, implement and see skills progression clearly in children and young people. It will have an interactive element to it with links, resources and materials for each of the skills within the 4 capacities.</p>	Green